Hollywood

By MARY BAGBY

"Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this so great a people? (I Kings 3:9)

Vacation Bible School is in progress this week through Wednesday, the 8th, at Hollywood Church with commencement Sunday morning, June 12 at 9:30 a.m.

We are glad to hear Mrs. Lena Bryant is improving after a fall a couple weeks ago when she got some ribs cracked. We hope she may soon be feeling much better.

Mrs. Dale Jennings and baby son are at home from the hospital and doing fine.

We are so glad to hear Mr. Legrande Webb is improving, he's had a bad case of shingles for several weeks. He and his family have been missed at church. Hope he may soon be well.

We are very sorry Mr. David Smith isn't doing good. We hope he may be well soon.

Sorry to hear Mr. David Austin has been on the sick list. We hope he may soon find relief from his bad headaches.

We're glad to hear Mrs. James Maxwell is able to be getting around some and hope she won't have to have an operation on her knee.

We are very sorry Mrs. Katherine Wingfield has been laid up with her back for several days. We hope she may soon be feeling good again.

We were very sorry to hear of the sudden death of Mr. Alfred Drinkard "Crick" Torrence of Tazewell, Va. Sunday. We extend our sincere sympathy to his family and loved ones.

We are very happy to hear Mr. Henry Earl Covington is improving some. May he soon be real well again are our wishes for him.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Norcross of Florida, Mrs. Edwin Schampel, Mr. Sammie Inge and Mr. Nat Ferguson spent Memorial Day with Mrs. Madeline Inge. They and Mrs. Inge visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Covington and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Covington and family in the afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Norcross was overnight guest in the Inge home Monday.

Visiting Mrs. Edna Covington last week were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Conner, Mrs. Frank Hanenkrat, Mrs. Mable Ferguson, Mrs. Thelma Conner, Mrs. Katherine Wingfield, Mrs. Ruby Woodall and daughter Lisa.

Mrs. L. L. Webb, Miss Joyce Webb, Mr. and Mrs. John Goin, Thomas, Ruby and Lisa Woodall and Julia Wingfield visited Mrs. Mary Bagby Memorial Day. Mrs. Madeline Inge and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Norcross visited Mrs. Bagby Tuesday morning. Mrs. Judy Mawyer and children called in this home Saturday.

Mr. Alfred Almond, among others, were visitors Sunday afternoon of Mr. and Mrs. David Smith.

Mrs. Wayne Smith and children were dinner guests Saturday of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Almond.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman were Mr. Barsdale Spiggle, Mr. Alfred Almond, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Smith and son Tommie.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Webb visited Mrs. Lawrence Woodson in Lynchburg, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Webb and family and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Goin and family last week. Mr. Scott Sheets and Mr. Walker Webb visited in the Monroe Webb home last week.

Messers Walker and Richard Webb were visitors Sunday afternoon of Mr. and Mrs. Kemper Beasley of Buckingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morris, Mr. Bruce Morris, Miss Gladys Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Franklin were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Webb and family Sunday.

Mrs. Madeline Inge visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Covington Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Inge, of Lynchburg, visited his mother, Mrs. Madeline Inge, Sunday.

Mr. Mark Marshall, of Appomattox, has moved into Mrs. Madeline Inge's cottage on Route 2. We welcome him into our neighborhood.

STUDENTS AT APPOMATTOX Primary School ushered out the school year with their "Field Day" activities of the day was a baloon-release, which the students performed with great wonder and relish.

4-H OFFICERS for Mrs. Peggy George's 4th Grade are shown, left to right, front, Katine McCoy, Robin Fuller; back row, left to right, Tracy Guthrie, Martha Nolen, Carol Clark, Kelly Hamlett.

4-H OFFICERS OF THE CLASSES of Mrs. Vivian Gosey and Mrs. Patty Wallace are, front row, left to right, Melanie Megginson, Jennifer Roach, Sherry Hackney. Back row, left to right, Tammie Starner, Stacy Myrick, Lori Trout and Cindy Weaver.

Law doctorate

Rothgeb gets degree

Mr. Weymouth M. (Deetsie) Rothgeb recently received a Doctor of Jurisprudence Degree from the South Texas College of Law in Houston, Texas. Mr. Rothgeb is the son of the late Jacob and Mabel Rothgeb and brother of John Paul Rothgeb who currently resides in Apomatox. He is married to the former Mary Trent of Appomattox and they are the parents of three sons and one daughter. He graduated from Appomattox High School in 1955.

Mr. Rothgeb was a Magna Cum Laude graduate of the University of Dayton in 1974 and has been employed by the U.S. Treasury Department as a Federal Agent since January 1961.

Upon his retirement from government service in late 1984, Mr. Rothgeb plans to enter private practice.

In Appomattox

4-H groups honored

The top 4-H groups for the 1982-83 year at Appomattox Elementary School were recognized last week with framed certificates and free ice cream for each member of the class. Awards to the outstanding classes were based on the performance of 4-H officers, the cooperation exhibited during 4-H meetings by the entire class and the number of young people from each group who participated in Public Speaking, Share-the-Fun, Presentations and June Dairy Month Posters.

Based on the above factors Mrs. Jean Mills' 6th grade class was the most outstanding 4-H group in the 6th grade and in the entire school. Officers of Mrs. Mills' Class were President-Missy Phelps, Vice President - Michael Mann, Secretary - Susan Watkins, Reporter - Sarah Mitchell and Recreation Leaders - Jeanie Johnson, Keith Hawkins and Micah Ford.

The most outstanding 5th grade 4-H classes were Mrs. Viviar Gosey's Class and Mrs. Fannie Wallon' Class. Mrs. Gosey's (now Mrs. Patty Wallace's) class officers were: President - Jennifer Roach, Co-Vice Presidents - Sherry Hackney and Melanie Megginson, Secretary - Cindy Weaver, Reporter - Lori Trout, Recreation Leaders - Stacey Myrick and Tammie Starner. Mrs. Wallon's 4-H officers were President - Shana Harvey, Vice President - Lori Ranson, Secretary - Sonya Doss, Reporter - Sharon Jackson and Recreation Leaders - Tara Johnson and Dean Thompson.

The top fourth grade group was Mrs. Peggy George's Class. Mrs. George's 4-H officers were President - Katina McCoy, Vice President - Robin Fuller, Secretary - Kelly Hamlett, Reporter - Tracy Guthrie, and Recreation Leaders - Carol Clark and Martha Nolen.

Appreciation is expressed to Mr. Tom Bowmann, Principal at Appomattox Elementary School, and each of the 4th, 5th and 6th grade teachers for their cooperation and assistance in conducting 4-H programs during the year.

NAACP to meet here

The Appomattox Branch of the NAACP will meet Monday, June 13 at Mt. Obed Baptist Church, Stonewall, Va. at 7:30 p.m.

Locals make Dean's List

Students in the Appomattox area who have been named to the Dean's List for last semester at Lynchburg College are **Kimberly D. Coggins**, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. R. O'Dell Coggins, Appomattox; **Mary F. Dyess**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dyess, Jr., Route 4; **Rebecca M. Fox**, (Mrs. Bill L.) Route 4; **Robert L. Harding, Jr.**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harding, Rt. 2, Concord; **Stella O. Osborne**, daughter of Ms. Ottie Osborne, Rt. 2, Appomattox; **Cheryl A. Reynolds**, Rt. 2, Rustburg, Va.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Mrs. Lizzie Evans Tweedy who celebrated her 100th birthday Wed., May 25, 1983 at her country home at Rustburg. She is the wife of the late Artie Tweedy. Special services were held at New Chapel Baptist Church in Rustburg Sunday, May 22, in her honor.

Mrs. Tweedy and Mrs. Mary Bagby's mother, the late Emma Jenkins Covington, were first cousins. She is a lovely Christian lady, a devoted wife, a loving mother, and a dear wonderful relative and friend to everyone. To know her is to love her. May God bless and keep her in his care. We wish for her many more happy birthdays with her love ones.

Oakville news

By MILDRED MOORE

Sunday luncheon guests of Mrs. E. J. Hillsman and Warren were the Rev. and Mrs. James Vaught, Scott and Lindsay; Ellen and Kimberly Shelton; Wanda and Allen Booth, Chris, Kelly and Timmy; Cecil and Dan Harvey; Beverly and Ronnie Cyrus; Gail and Bradley Mann; Norma Ray and Claude Allen Moore and Angela. Afternoon visitors included Jack and Addie Booker and Marlene Moore.

Shannon Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Lewis had a tonsillectomy last week and is doing nicely. Shannon is spending this week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Lewis of Bedford.

Mrs. J. M. Lucado spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Lucado.

Those calling on Mrs. Tom Moore last week were the Rev. James Vaught, Mrs. Clark Moore, Mrs. Rob Lucado, and Mrs. Thelma Thornhill. Sunday afternoon, Mr. Roland Smith visited.

Mr. Ralph Smith, of Richmond, spent last week with his mother, Mrs. Roland Smith. Weekend guests of Mrs. Smith were Mrs. Ralph Smith of Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Reynolds and children of Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Moore and boys of Lynchburg, Mrs. Mary Hall, Mrs. Bessie Davis of Georgia, and Mrs. J.M. Lucado.

OFFICERS FOR MRS. JEAN MILL'S 6th Grade 4-H Club are shown above. Front row, left to right, Missy Phelps, Micah Ford, Michael Mann. Back row, left to right, Keith Hawkins, Jeanie Johnson, Susan Watkins and Sarah Mitchell.

MRS. FANNIE WALTON'S 5th Grade 4-H OFFICERS front, left to right, Shana Harvey, Lori Ranson; back row, left to right, Tara Johnson, Sharon Jackson, Sonya Doss, and Dean Thompson.

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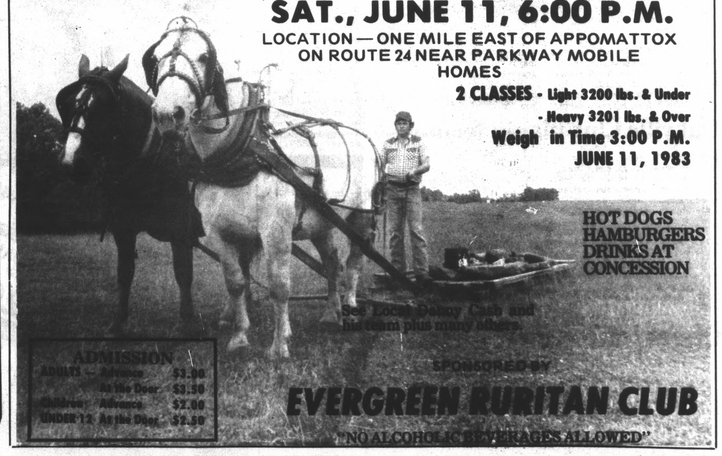

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Letters

Fans protest poor calls

Editor's Note: The following letter was addressed to the Covington Virginian newspaper, with a copy submitted to the Times-Virginian for publication. The letter was signed by 37 ACHS baseball supporters.

Dear Sir:

Last week the Appomattox County High School baseball team traveled to Covington to play three games in The Region III Baseball Tournament. Following our preliminary games with Lord Botetourt and Tunstall, our players and fans were impressed with your stadium, the emphasis on sportsmanship and the officiating provided at Casey Field. The championship game Friday night between Appomattox and Alleghany, however, made a mockery of sportsmanship and competent officiating.

We record our games on video tape so the players can study them and learn from their mistakes. It is clearly evident on the tape of the Appomattox-Alleghany game that the Blue Ridge umpires made at least four erroneous calls--all in favor of the Blue Ridge team--that subsequently resulted in Alleghany's scoring 10 unearned and undeserved runs.

In the fifth inning, with Appomattox leading 3-0 and one Alleghany out, Appomattox tagged an Alleghany player in a rundown near second. The third base umpire called the runners safe. On the next play that same umpire again made an erroneous call, in favor of Alleghany, that loaded the bases instead of ending the inning. Subsequently 7 runs scored before Appomattox made its fifth put out of that inning. Appomattox fought back to an 8-7 lead, but two more miscalls by the plate umpire resulted in 3 more Alleghany rns and another 5-out inning. Overcoming so demoralizing a stiuation twice was asking too much, and the Appomattox players were denied a hard fought, well-deserved win, 10-9.

Whom the real fault lies with we cannot say. Both the plate and third base umpires were either extremely biased or extremely incompetent. If the first situation is the case, the blame lies with the umpires. If the latter, the blame falls on those in the Blue Ridge District responsible for selecting this team of officials to call the championship game. In either case, we petition the VHSL to review this shameful situation and take action to prevent its recurrence.

For those of us aware of the exceptional ability, character and dedication of this Appomattox team, the type of defeat they suffered is a travesty and a tragedy difficult to forget or forgive. Our consolation lies in the knowledge that if the incompetency of the officials is compensated for, we won 9-0 (even some Alleghany fans acknowledged this), and in the pride we have in the conduct and sportsmanship exemplified by our players and coaches after the game. We do not know what consolation or pride the players and people of Alleghany can feel, if any, in having something taken from someone else and given to them when they neither earned nor deserved it. Both teams will carry this experience with them through life, and in the context Alleghany, not Appomattox, is the loser.

Supporters of the Appomattox County High School Baseball Team - 1983 Seminole District Champions

Crusade was a success

To The People Of Appomattox County

On behalf of the American Cancer Society, I would like to thank all of you who took part in our April Crusade. Whether you collected for our fund drive or you gave a gift in support, the Crusade was a success because of it. In the past the residents of Appomattox County have come through with generous donations because you are aware that the American Cancer Society works both in research and in local assistance. The most obvious assistance to the county being the loan closet.

During this campaign we have had nearly 85 volunteers who have been collecting and passing out literature to aid you in the understanding of cancer and ways in which to lessen the chance of getting cancer.

Once again I want to thank all those who gave of time and money, and especially Frances Paulette and the Times-Virginian for their support and efforts in making our crusade a success.

Sincerely,

G. Daniel Stratton
Crusade Chairman,
Appomattox Unit of the American Cancer Society

Tourney benefits cause

Editor:

The Appomattox Chapter of the American Cancer Society recently reached the yearly goal with funds from the Walter Hagen Golf Tournament held at Falling River Country Club May 28 and 29.

Winners and team sponsors were listed in last week's Times-Virginian. The Cancer Chapter would like to say a special thanks to Falling River Golf Club, the generous sponsors, the team members who played, Gary Howard and Steve Webster, Anne Kerr and Doris Nash who helped organize the women's teams, all those who made sandwiches and sold golf balls and Len Thomas and Ronnie Briggs who generously contributed Pepsi for our players. A very special thanks to Tony Guthrie and the Mens Golf Committee who helped organize the event. Thanks Appomattox! We've reached the goal with your generous contributions.

Sincerely,

Appomattox Chapter
American Cancer Society

George Abbitt honored here

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"We didn't have to pay any rent," said George with a smile, "We lived at Vera with our parents in the combination store-dwelling."

"We were fortunate in having office space made available to us. We set up a law office in quarters belonging to the late Judge Joel W. Flood in the Court House building... rent free!"

"We really didn't have any salary as such," Abbitt added. "We just took what the clients brought in. Most of our work consisted of writing wills, deeds, deeds of trust and such."

The field of law has been good to Judge Abbitt; he is a highly respected judge, but there are some who think he may have been a better lawyer than a judge!

"A man was accused of cutting another man and I defended him. Things went well for him and he was pleased," commented Judge Abbitt. "We both went our separate ways. Some years later, after I became judge, I went to an adjoining county to serve as judge and who should appear but the same man I had defended some years earlier. He had been on another cutting spree. The verdict was clear cut, he was guilty. I had nothing to do but sentence him to what he deserved," said Abbitt.

"Earlier in the trail, the man had been asked if he had anything to say and he had replied 'no.' After the sentencing he asked, 'Judge Abbitt, may I say something now?' He was granted permission to speak.

"I tell you Judge Abbitt, I do believe you are a better lawyer than you are a judge!"

Judge Abbitt and his first wife, Josephine C. Abbitt, had three children, Peyton Abbitt, deceased; Penny Abbitt Quarrier; and Nancy Abbitt Torrence, and two grandchildren.

In September of 1981 George married the former Harriet Smith Redding. They reside at 125 South Church Street.

Judge Abbitt is past president of the Appomattox Lions Club; past President of Appomattox County Ruritan Club; Past Chairman of the Appomattox County Board of Supervisors 1942-1968; Commonwealth Attorney for Appomattox County 1948-1964; past member of Appomattox Town Council 1938 until 1942; past officer of Appomattox County Bar Association - Tenth Judicial Circuit Bar Associaiton and Judicial Conference of Virginia. He is a member of Liberty Baptist Church.

"When I went to Washington as a congressman," said Watt with a laugh, "somebody remarked, 'There goes Watt with his brother.' After George was made judge, they remarked, 'Now it'll be, there goes George with his brother!"

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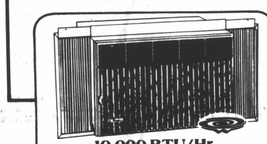

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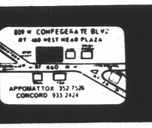

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